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1. ASIDE FROM THE CANCELLATION OF THE AMBASSADOR'S TELEVISION APPEARANCE (REFTEL), WHICH MARRED THE CELEBRATIONS, THE FOURTH OF JULY RECEPTION IN MOSCOWWAS NOT VERY WELL ATTENDED BY SOVIETS. THE MOST SENIOR SOVIET GUESTS WERE VADER, A DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE USSR SUPREME SOVIET AND CHAIRMAN OF THE ESTONIAN SS, GEORGADZE, SECRETARY OF THE PRESIDIUM OF THE SUPREME SOVIET, NOVIKOV, A DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND HEAD OF GOSSTROY AND, FROM MFA, DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER KORNIYENKO. ON THE MILITARY SIDE THERE WERE ONLY TWO FLAG OFFICERS, VICE ADMIRAL P. NAVOTSYEV, FIRST DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE MAIN NAVAL STAFF, AND MAJOR GENERAL N. I. VISHINSKIY, DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF OF NAVAL AVIATION.

2. ON THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SIDE, THERE WAS A VERY GOOD TURNOUT. THE TWO SENIOR OFFICIALS PRESENT WERE NEPOROZHNIY, MIN. OF POWER AND ELECTRIFICATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND ALEKSENKO, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. THERE WAS A FAIRLY GOOD TURNOUT FROM THE SENIOR OFFICIALS INVOLVED IN ECONOMICS, INCLUDING THE MIN. OF THE MERCHANT MARINE AND ALKHIMOV, GOSBANK CHAIRMAN.

3. THE REPRESENTATION FROM THE WORLD OF ART AND

CULTURE WAS, AS IS THE CASE EVERY YEAR, VERY COMPREHENSIVE.

4. KIEV ADVANCE PARTY REPORTS THAT 80 GUESTS SHOWED UP (150 INVITED). THE MOST SENIOR OFFICIAL WAS UKRAINIAN DEPUTY FON MIN V. P. OSNACH, WHO INFORMED THE CHIEF OF THE KAP THAT HE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO RESPOND TO THE LATTER'S TOAST. TOON

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